

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1. (currently amended) An oral dosage form comprising
 - (a) a unitary soft core comprising an a plurality of active agent particles having an average size of greater than about 50 μm and
 - (b) a brittle shell encasing the soft core, wherein the weight ratio of active agent particles to shell being from about 1.0:0.5 to about 1.0.
2. (previously amended) An oral dosage form of claim 1, wherein the weight ratio of active agent particles to shell being from about 1.0:2 to about 1.0:12.
3. (previously amended) An oral dosage form of claim 2, wherein the weight ratio of particles to shell being from about 1.0:4 to about 1.0:9.
4. (original) An oral dosage form of claim 1, wherein the soft core is pectin based.
5. (previously amended) An oral dosage form of claim 1, wherein the soft core is gelatin based.
6. (previously amended) An oral dosage form of claim 1, wherein the soft core has a hardness of about 1 to about 8 kp/cm^2 .
7. (previously amended) An oral dosage form of claim 1, wherein the active agent is selected from the group consisting of acetaminophen, ibuprofen, pseudoephedrine, dextromethorphan, diphenhydramine, chlorpheniramine, calcium carbonate, magnesium hydroxide, magnesium carbonate, magnesium oxide, aluminum hydroxide, mixtures thereof, and pharmaceutically acceptable salts thereof.
8. (original) An oral dosage form of claim 7, wherein the active agent is acetaminophen or ibuprofen.
9. (original) An oral dosage form of claim 8, wherein the active agent is acetaminophen.
10. (previously amended) An oral dosage form of claim 8, wherein the active agent is ibuprofen.
11. (previously amended) An oral dosage form of claim 3, wherein the active agent is selected from the group consisting of acetaminophen, ibuprofen, pseudoephedrine, dextromethorphan, diphenhydramine, chlorpheniramine, calcium carbonate, magnesium hydroxide, magnesium carbonate, magnesium oxide, aluminum hydroxide, mixtures thereof, and pharmaceutically acceptable salts thereof.
12. (original) An oral dosage form of claim 11, wherein the active agent is acetaminophen or ibuprofen.
13. (original) An oral dosage form of claim 12, wherein the active agent is acetaminophen.
14. (original) An oral dosage form of claim 12, wherein the active agent is ibuprofen.

15. (currently amended) An oral dosage form comprising
- (a) a unitary soft core comprising a plurality of acetaminophen particles having an average size of greater than about 50 μm and
 - (b) a brittle shell enveloping the soft core, wherein the weight ratio of active agent to shell being from about 1.0:4 to about 1.0:9.
16. (currently amended) An oral dosage form comprising
- (a) a unitary soft core comprising a plurality of ibuprofen particles having an average size of greater than about 50 μm and
 - (b) a brittle shell enveloping the soft core, wherein the weight ratio of particles to shell being from about 1.0:4 to about 1.0:915.
17. (currently amended) An oral dosage form comprising
- (a) a unitary soft core comprising ~~an~~ a plurality of active agent particles having an average size of greater than about 50 μm and
 - (b) a brittle shell encasing the soft core, wherein the weight ratio of active agent particles to shell being from about 1.0:0.5 to about 1.0:15 and wherein the soft core has a hardness of about 1 to about 8 kp/cm^2 15.
18. (new) An oral dosage form of claim 1, wherein the weight ratio of active agent particles to shell being from about 1.0:2 to about 1.0:12.
19. (new) An oral dosage form of claim 18, wherein the weight ratio of active agent particles to shell being from about 1.0:4 to about 1.0:9.
20. (new) An oral dosage form of claim 17, wherein the soft core is pectin based.
21. (new) An oral dosage form of claim 1, wherein the soft core is gelatin based.
22. (new) An oral dosage form of claim 17, wherein the active agent is selected from the group consisting of acetaminophen, ibuprofen, pseudoephedrine, dextromethorphan, diphenhydramine, chlorpheniramine, calcium carbonate, magnesium hydroxide, magnesium carbonate, magnesium oxide, aluminum hydroxide, mixtures thereof, and pharmaceutically acceptable salts thereof.
23. (new) An oral dosage form of claim 22, wherein the active agent is acetaminophen or ibuprofen.
24. (new) An oral dosage form of claim 23, wherein the active agent is acetaminophen.
25. (new) An oral dosage form of claim 23, wherein the active agent is ibuprofen.